

# **AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1-23 and add claims 24-31 as follows.

1    1 - 23    (Canceled)

1    24.        (New) A software product carrying code for providing data communications in a  
 2    computer system, wherein execution of the code by one or more processors causes the one or  
 3    more processors to perform the steps of:  
 4                accepting message information within a unified exchange manager;  
 5                executing the unified exchange manager to select an appropriate application from a  
 6    plurality of applications that are executable on the computer system, the unified exchange  
 7    manager selecting the appropriate application based on a data type of the message  
 8    information, wherein said unified exchange manager communicates with a plurality of  
 9    communication libraries, each said communication library implementing a particular protocol  
 10    for external communication, wherein at least one of said communication libraries comprises  
 11    a wireless communication library;  
 12                determining whether a user accepts said message information; and  
 13                passing said message information from said unified exchange manager to the  
 14    appropriate application program in response to said user accepting said message information.

1    25.        (New) The software product of claim 24, said steps further comprising:  
 2                alerting said appropriate application that said appropriate application will be receiving  
 3    said message information.

1    26.        (New) The software product of claim 24, wherein said message information is from  
 2    an external source.

1    27.        (New) The software product of claim 24, wherein said message information is from a  
 2    second application program.

- 1 28. (New) The software product of claim 24, said steps further comprising:  
2 returning from said appropriate application program a call handle that activates said  
3 application program and displays said message information.
- 1 29. (New) The software product as claimed in claim 24, wherein the at least one wireless  
2 communication library comprises an infrared communication library.
- 1 30. (New) The software product as claimed in claim 29, wherein said infrared  
2 communication library implements an IrDA protocol.
- 1 31. (New) The software product as claimed in claim 24, wherein one of said  
2 communication libraries comprises a pager communication library.

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